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For: APPARATUS FOR COMPENSATING FOR SHADING  
ON A PICTURE PICKED UP BY A SOLID-STATE  
IMAGE SENSOR OVER A BROAD DYNAMIC RANGE

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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

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